

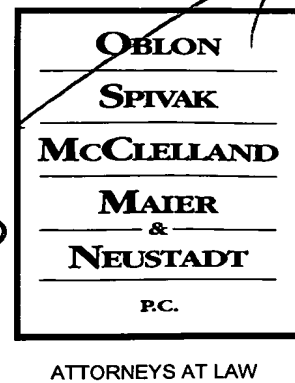


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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/851,131
Applicants: Renzo BIGNAZZI, et al.
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DIMETHYLNAPHTHALENE FROM MIXTURES
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.116; Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 (Executed, 4 pp.);
Request for Extension of Time (Four Month)**

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